

Board of Management 2020/21

Meeting - MINUTES

Date: 9th June 2021

- **Minutes of last meeting**
- **Matter Arising**
 - a. Nothing arising from last minutes
- **Principal's report**
 - a. Policies
 - i. Home School Learning Policy
 - 1. Wording recommendation from PC
 - 2. Survey carried out showed came out approximately 50/50
 - 3. Decided to go with homework 3 days a week: Oct – May for First and Second Class
 - 4. Parents can come to class teacher if pupil's are struggling with work
 - 5. BOM ratified policy
 - b. School Reports
 - i. Cian and Ruth sending reports next Wednesday 16th June
 - c. Staffing next year
 - i. 5 teachers – 4 full time, 1 part time
 - ii. 4 SNAs
 - d. Planning observation
 - i. Red rock Planning for apartments
 - 1. Cian sent in objection on behalf of the school
 - 2. DES have also sent in strong objection
 - a. Cian will circulate this with BOM

- e. Accommodation
 - i. 1st June plans were submitted
 - ii. It can now be found on Dublin City Council with limited information
 - 1. Reference number: 2851/21
 - iii. Cian will inform parents/guardians when all information and plans are on the website
- f. HCETSS adding 3 classrooms to site for next year
 - i. As soon as SS have plans, PC will forward on
 - ii. PC explained to builders that there are two primary schools on site
- g. Ivana Bacik
 - i. Spoke in Dáil about astro turf for permanent school
 - ii. Madigan says DES doesn't want to set a precedent to put down astro turf in all new schools
- h. Next year
 - i. 4 classrooms
 - ii. 1 SET/ nurture room
 - iii. Grant for sensory room – one movement room/ One calm space – 2 small rooms will be used
 - 1. Aim is to be able to bring this with us to permanent build
- i. PTA
 - i. €1489 Thanks to PTA for raising this money
 - ii. PTA involved in Home School Learning surveys and focus group
 - iii. Michael Gleeson, Eileen HX Grow organised and helped with gardening and planting in school
 - 1. Donation of tyres – Butlers tyres
 - 2. Chalkboards were painted for the children
 - 3. Planting containers bought for seasonal veg
- j. Special Class
 - i. 5 children registered
 - ii. Still going through list of applicants
- k. Teaching and Learning
 - i. RSE teaching is ongoing in school at the moment
 - ii. Drumcondra Reading and Numeracy Standardised Tests completed with Senior Infants
 - iii. In house school tour – farm and ice cream van this Thursday
 - iv. Drumming workshop this Friday

v. Gareth Murray – Leinster Rugby did three sessions with the children

- **Child protection – End of Year**

- a. During this year, BOM should meet in person if there is a child protection issue
- b. As there have been no issues this year, BOM agreed to signed off on Child Protection during online call. Next year, we hope to return to in person meeting

- **Treasurer's report / Budget**

- a. Budget
 - i. Sarah gave summary of budget to BOM
 - ii. Budget 2021 was shared with Board
 - iii. BOM will continue to review finances around Kids Inc
 - iv. Contingency Fund discussed
 - v. Revolut Card
 - 1. Credit Card with AIB is being set up in school's name and Revolut Card will no longer be used
 - 2. John putting together Credit Card/ Fraud and Corruption policies in place in relation to this
 - a. Cian will circulate this to BOM in the coming days
 - 3. PC queried if Patron approval is required? We will be entering into a credit agreement. John to look into this
 - 4. BOM passed

- **Board Agreed Expenses**

- a. Board agreed to give vouchers towards
 - i. External Principal working on Interview panel
 - ii. Staff Wellbeing/ Wellness Initiative
 - 1. This will be reviewed each year
 - 2. Could be a voucher for a restaurant etc
 - iii. Wellbeing Week in school

- **School Credit Card**

- a. See above

- **Accommodation**

- a. See above

- Cian thanked the Board for their help and assistance this year

- a. John thanked Cian and staff
- **Date of next meeting**
 - a. **Wednesday 15th September 2021**